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SUBJ: COOPERATION IN FOREIGN DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

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1. WE WELCOME PROPOSAL REFTEL FOR SMALL-SCALE U.S. ASSISTANCE TO OR COOPERATION WITH SELECTED FOREIGN DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES. BELIEVE BURMA WOULD BE DESIRABLE LOCATION FOR SUCH CO-OPERATION WITHIN GUIDELINES CONTAINED REFTEL PARA 2. ASSESSMENT OF EXISTING RESOURCES REQUESTED REFTEL PARA 3 IS IN PREPARATION AND WILL BE TRANSMITTED BY AIRGRAM.

2. WE CANNOT AND SHOULD NOT AT THIS STAGE PROPOSE SPECIFIC PROJECTS, WHICH MUST AWAIT OUR STUDY OF UNFDAC PROJECT PLANS AND DISCUSSION WITH GUB. THERE FOLLOWS, HOWEVER, AN ILLUSTRATIVE LIST OF EXAMPLES OF TYPES OF PROGRAMS WHICH WE MIGHT PROPOSE FOLLOWING INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH GUB:

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(A) INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS. GUB OFFICIALS AND

PRESS HAVE SHOWN EAGER INTEREST IN DRUG ABUSE INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS (FILMS, VTR'S, PAMPHLETS) PROVIDED BY EMBASSY. ALSO HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN ADDITIONAL MATERIALS, ESPECIALLY MOTION PICTURES SUITABLE FOR SHOWING PUBLICLY AND IN SCHOOLS.

(B) TECHNICAL LITERATURE. WOULD APPRECIATE BIBLIOGRAPHIES OF AVAILABLE MATERIAL ON DRUG ABUSE PATTERNS, TECHNIQUES OF TREATMENT WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO OUT-PATIENT TREATMENT, TECHNIQUES AND RESULTS OF FOLLOW-UP WORK WITH PREVIOUSLY TREATED ADDICTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

(C) RESEARCH. COMPARATIVELY LITTLE RESEARCH IS NOW BEING DONE IN DRUG ABUSE IN BURMA. AVAILABILITY OF MODEST AMOUNTS OF EXTERNAL FINANCING (E.G., FOR LABORATORY EQUIPMENT) WOULD PROBABLY SPUR INCREASED EFFORTS SOME OF WHICH WOULD BE IN AREAS OF DIRECT INTEREST TO U.S. AND OTHER COUNTRIES. (FOR EXAMPLE, SOME FOREIGN OBSERVERS BELIEVE THAT FOR UNKNOWN REASONS BURMESE ADDICTS CAN BE MORE EASILY AND SUCCESSFULLY TREATED THAN MOST ADDICTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES. RESEARCH AIMED AT ESTABLISHING WHETHER THIS IS TRUE AND IF SO WHY WOULD BE OF OBVIOUS VALUE.)

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